

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 651

By Buck

A RESOLUTION to designate a portion of Highway 56 in DeKalb County as the "Ms. M.E. Marshall Highway".

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges to honor those exemplary citizens who contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than one of DeKalb County's finest citizens, Ms. M.E. Marshall; and

WHEREAS, in 1950, Ms. M.E. Marshall, affectionately known as "Marshall", made her way from Nashville to Hurricane Holler in DeKalb County when Hurricane Lane was a mere logging road and Center Hill was just becoming a lake; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Marshall had a dream to find a secluded area on the shores of the lake to build her home; she stood on the hood of her car and pointed to the area that is now the end of Hurricane Lane; and

WHEREAS, she acquired the original Hurricane Boat Dock, which consisted of three boat slips and little more, and turned it into a showcase through years of hard work and the

development of her many skills as a carpenter, plumber, electrician and, most importantly, boat mechanic; and

WHEREAS, Hurricane Boat Dock is now a full-scale marina with more than three hundred boat slips, a restaurant and cabins, and is a truly wonderful facility visited by fishermen, water skiers and boating enthusiasts from all over the world; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Marshall has been a pioneer for tourism, job creation and minority business ownership while maintaining her true individuality; and

WHEREAS, as an act of admiration and respect, the people of DeKalb County seek to honor and commend Ms. Marshall for her many contributions to their community; and

WHEREAS, the DeKalb County Board of Commissioners has petitioned this body to name such highway portion in honor of Ms. M.E. Marshall to permanently commemorate her bountiful life of purpose and commitment to the betterment of her community; and

WHEREAS, this General Assembly most heartily concurs with this excellent proposal; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the portion of Highway 56 from the DeKalb County line, south to Silver Point to Hurricane Boat Dock Road, is hereby designated as the "Ms. M.E. Marshall Highway".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers for the "Ms. M.E. Marshall Highway".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices*.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the Federal Highway Administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the Department of Transportation from non-state funds within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the State for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The Department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for such signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the Department in non-state funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the Department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an enrolled copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.